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In re application of: **Busche et al.**Serial No.: **09/400,583**Filed: **September 22, 1999**

**For: Method and System for  
Integrating Spatial Analysis and Data  
Mining Analysis to Ascertain  
Favorable Positioning of Products in a  
Retail Environment**

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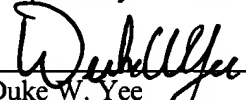
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